

Miners Facing Split in Union On Coal Strike

Illinois Leader Threatens to Bolt and Confer With State Operators if National Parley Proves Failure

Echo of Howat Rupture

Farrington Declares He Expects Washington to Intervene Before April 1

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

INDIANAPOLIS, March 8.—With the likelihood of a coal strike becoming greater daily and a consequent hearing of the United Mine Workers to the greatest crisis in its history, virtual disruption of that organization was threatened today in an indication by Frank Farrington, leader of the Illinois miners, that he may seek a separate agreement with the operators in that state unless a conference between the miners and operators of the central competitive field is arranged before April 1.

Apparently unwilling to forget the bitterness roused by his fight with John I. Lewis, president of the union, over the Howat case in the recent miners' convention here, Farrington sent a telegram to the international executive board, now in session at the miners' Indianapolis headquarters, in which he was quoted as expressing himself as follows:

"We do not intend to drift into a strike merely for the purpose of allowing some of us to get our names in the movies, in the face of the fact that a meeting with the Illinois operators may bring about a satisfactory agreement and one that will save our membership from a demoralizing and disastrous strike."

Telegram From St. Louis

Owing to the fact that apparently neither Farrington nor the international officers have as yet given out the full text of the telegram or complete interpretations as to its meaning, some doubt exists to-night as to how much further he went in his intimated threat.

In St. Louis, from which he sent the telegram in connection with a meeting of the Illinois officials of the union, he was quoted as making the following definite statement:

"Of one thing you may be sure, and that is that we are not going to agree to any drifting policy that has but one purpose, that being a concession of work April 1, and if an interstate conference is not arranged by such a date, we will not be present for the conference in St. Louis."

To-night, however, Farrington was reported in St. Louis to have said in a speech to the New York Tribune and phoned down definitely on a question as to whether, in his telegram or otherwise, he had made a threat of attempting to obtain a separate agreement from the Illinois operators. He replied:

"I haven't made any such threat and my telegram does not indicate any such thing. I have said merely that if an interstate conference is not called before April 1 I will confer with the mine operators in Illinois."

Silent on the Purpose

Thereupon Mr. Farrington proceeded to say that he was all out for peace as to what subjects he intended to broach at such a conference, in the event one is held.

Farrington expressed himself as confident that both sides would be called to Washington before April 1, and said that he believed the outcome of the entire situation is chiefly in the hands of President Harding and his cabinet.

A central competitive field conference now appears hopeless, however, despite the expressed desires of President Harding. Meanwhile the Illinois operators are willing but enthusiastic over any prospect of entering into negotiations with the miners for a separate state agreement, and doubtless would snap up such an offer. Farrington should he carry out to-day's threat.

While the international officers were plainly worried over the situation, there was in some quarters a disposition to regard Farrington's action as a "bluff." It was noted that in one portion of his telegram he flouted the authority of the international executive board to act in the present situation, but admitted such authority on the part of the policy committee chosen at the convention.

Executive Board Replies

This admission was immediately acted upon by the executive board, which, after considerable study of Farrington's message, replied with the following diplomatic and canny telegram:

"We are pleased to know it is the purpose of the executive board of District 12 (Illinois) to comply with the decision of the international executive board, which decision was the policy outlined by the recently reconvened wage scale convention. We are also glad to know that the executive board of District 12 is willing to have its action be determined by the policy committee created by the international convention."

"Your acquiescence in this matter

will no doubt set at rest the many untrue reports that District 12 executive board proposes to make a separate wage agreement without the consent of the international policy committee."

Viscount Grey's Wedding Put Off Because of His Illness

LONDON, March 8.—The wedding of Viscount Grey of Fallodon and Lady Gleaner, which was fixed for a date near Easter, has been postponed, according to "The Daily Mail," in consequence of a "serious operation" which Viscount Grey underwent yesterday.

His condition is reported by the physicians as satisfactory, and they expect him to recover fully.

Jests at Death As His Ship Sinks With 20

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rolled sickeningly in the trough and edged into the teeth of the wind shivering to the racing of the screw as a huge comb that had seemed about to slip over the rail, heaved at the keel instead.

"Tell him that we are on the way to help him," said Captain Jorgenson to Hanson.

The operator did so. At the rate the Estonia had been traveling, it should reach the vicinity of the Grentoft about 4 p. m., but four miles was all the staggering steamship could make in the first hour on the new course. The engines were driving ahead under forced draft, but the wind and waves exerted tremendous pressure and at intervals the screw was hoisted clear of the water while the vessel trembled and lost headway.

Another S. O. S. was received from the Grentoft at 11 o'clock. When he had sent it, the freighter's wireless operator remarked to the universe:

"Sandwiches for Lifeboats"

"Well, the steward is making sandwiches for the lifeboats. Looks like we were going on a picnic."

This in the face of a storm in which no small boat could survive five minutes, even if it reached the water right side up.

The Estonia drove on at a better pace now and Hanson sent an encouraging message to the operator of the Grentoft. At 11:30 the skipper of that doomed vessel having other things than the wireless to occupy his mind, his operator took up the conversation on his own hook.

"The old wagon has a list like a run-down heel," he confided to Hanson with the utmost cheerfulness. "This is no weather to be out without an umbrella."

"Hold on, we'll be alongside soon," was the rejoinder of Hanson, who was unable to view the situation with the equanimity of his conferee.

Silence settled down in the ether except for occasional mutterings from far-off operators, who gave astounding statistics as to the height and breadth of waves they had observed and wanted Hanson to tell them what his square-headed skipper thought they could do in such a sea if he did find the Grentoft.

Hanson was in no mood for such comments, and made no answer. He was waiting for the next message from the blithering lad on the upper deck of the Grentoft. It came at 12:10, dictated by the captain of the freighter.

"We are sinking stern first," it ran. "The decks are awash. The bottom is smashed. Can't hold out any longer."

The man who sent it seemed to feel that it was slightly out of tune. He was waiting for the next message from the skipper's message, not his.

"The skipper dictated that," said he to Hanson. "He ought to know."

"Here did I put my hat? Sorry we couldn't wait for you. Pressing business elsewhere. Skoon!"

That was the end. The operator, alone in his deckhouse, and his fellows, clinging to the rails or the derrick wheel, at the wheel or fleeing from the flooded depths of the engine room, went to the pressing business—elsewhere. Not so much as a bit of wreckage was visible in the turmoil of waters when the Estonia reached the spot at 4:10 p. m.



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Cracksmen Get \$15,000 Jewels Despite Guards

Robbers Who Looted Safe in Office of Fifth Avenue Dealer Believed to Have Spent Night in Hallway

Employee Discovers Loss

Six Watchmen Were on Duty in Guaranty Trust Building at Time of Burglary

Robbers entered the offices of Joseph Riskin, a jeweler, on the fourth floor of the Guaranty Trust Building, at the corner of Forty-fourth Street and Fifth Avenue, some time between 6:30 o'clock Monday evening and 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. They ripped open the door of a safe and escaped with more than \$15,000 worth of miscellaneous jewelry.

There is no mark to show how the cracksmen made their entrance to the hall. The door opening into the hall was locked. The windows were shut. There is no evidence of the door's having been jimmied and the panels of the windows on the door do not seem to have been tampered with.

Four guards were down stairs in the Guaranty Trust Company's premises. Two armed watchmen were patrolling the building. Between 7 o'clock in the evening and 7 o'clock in the morning no one can enter or leave the building without writing in a book stating who he is, to what office he is going and the time he comes and goes.

It is believed, however, by agencies investigating the crime that the cracksmen probably took their entrance through the building before 7 o'clock and loitered about the halls until they were sure the office of the Riskin concern was deserted. After the robbery they waited, either in the office or in the halls, until after 7 o'clock in the morning, and then left casually by the front door.

The robbery was discovered by Louis Friedman, 1763 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, a bookkeeper, when he came to work Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock. He opened the door, but noticed nothing unusual until he went to Mr. Riskin's private office. The safe, a small affair, had been rolled out from its place against the wall. The door hung open. The lining had been ripped away and the concrete filling lay scattered over the carpet. Friedman ran up stairs and notified Topik & Harding, investigating agents for Lloyd's Insurance Company.

The thieves did their work, according to Friedman, with the aid of a goose-necked desk lamp which was on the floor. They opened the strong box inside the safe without injuring it. Friedman said that the robbers opened it by means of the combination which they found in a drawer in the office.

Beside the safe lay the tools. There were drills, a "can opener," a pair of cotton gloves, and an oil can. Mr. Riskin, who lives at 942 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, said he did not know exactly how much the loss amounted to. He said that he had at least \$75,000 worth of jewelry in the vaults of the Harriman National Bank across the street. He was going over his books to find out what he had left in the safe in his office.

He put several pieces of unset mountings in the safe Monday night, along with several unset emeralds and pearls. He did not remember how many. The only things that the thieves left in the safe were a brace-

let on a "stick" ready for setting and valued at \$400, a watch worth \$100, and \$12,000 worth of non-negotiable securities.

Mr. Riskin has no theory regarding the robbery.

S. R. Banks, superintendent of the building, said that the guards in the bank were for the bank alone, but that the two watchmen made a tour of the building every hour. The only persons having a pass key to the office were the charwomen. He said that although robbers had never entered the building before he recently issued a general warning to all the tenants not to leave valuables in their offices. Riskin's office, he said, was without any form of burglar protection system.

The Guaranty Trust Building used to be the one occupied by Sherry's. Before housing a branch of the Guaranty Trust Company it also had six jewelry merchants, whose stock aggregates at least \$500,000.

New Skipper Rides Olympic Into Port Amid Roaring Gale

Big White Star Liner Lands Voyagers and Pictures of Princess Mary's Wedding After Tumultuous Passage

The White Star liner Olympic, which has been turned over to the command of Captain A. E. S. Hambleton, came to port yesterday after an unusually rough passage, and landed her passengers shortly after dark. Despite the heavy gale that blew from the West, Captain Hambleton handled the big liner with exceptional skill. When released from Quarantine at 5:40 p. m. he headed seaward and made a perfect turn off Gravesend Bay. The gale had not abated when she came abreast the pier, but with the aid of a few tugs and the vessel's four screws the skipper warped her into dock within a half hour after her arrival at the pierhead.

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Mr. Steuer said later that he had asked the court to do this so that in the event of Rickard's conviction the Appellate Court would have before it the minutes of the grand jury and could decide if the evidence was sufficient to indict.

Justice Wasservogel told Steuer that there was a question in his mind as to whether Steuer, not having seen the minutes, could make a motion of this kind.

Assistant District Attorney Pecora opposed the application and said it was only a subterfuge for delay and was contrary to all legal procedure.

Permission was granted the District Attorney to file papers in the case. This permission was granted with the understanding that Steuer be furnished with copies of the briefs.

On the return of the Olympic to Southampton Dr. J. H. Beaumont, the ship's surgeon, will leave the vessel to go to the new Majesty, which will come here in May. He has been with the White Star Line nineteen years and has made 500 trips across the Atlantic covering 1,500,000 miles. During the war he made 103 trips through the submarine zones.

Mrs. N. G. Untermyer, one of the Olympic's passengers, brought over seven high bred German police dogs, which were removed from the pier in seven large pine kennels.

Among others aboard were: The Marquis de los Arcos, the Earl and Countess of Dunmore, Captain and Mrs. J. J. Muir-Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGlone, Harry Wheeler, David Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Rob-

Trial of Rickard On Girls' Charges Set for March 20

Another Motion to Dismiss Indictment Alleging Attack Taken Under Advice by Presiding Justice

The trial of George T. (Tex) Rickard, sports promoter, recently indicted on charges of assault on several young girls, will begin on March 20 in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court, before Justice Isidore Wasservogel. Justice Wasservogel fixed the date yesterday on motion of Assistant District Attorney Ferdinand Pecora, following a motion made by Max D. Steuer, counsel for Rickard, to dismiss the indictment. Justice Wasservogel took the motion, made by Mr. Steuer, under advisement.

Mr. Steuer based his motion on the ground that illegal evidence was produced before the grand jury which in dicted Rickard and that the legal evidence produced was insufficient to warrant the indictment.

A motion made by Mr. Pecora called for a special panel of 200 laymen to be called on the day set for the trial from which the jurors will be drawn.

Mr. Steuer told the court that through an error of a clerk employed in his office the subpoena served on District Attorney Banton on Wednesday to produce the minutes of the grand jury to-morrow had been made returnable in Part I, Special Term, Supreme Court, instead of in the criminal branch before Justice Wasservogel. There was no intention of obtaining the grand jury minutes by a ruse, he said.

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Champagne Graft Accusation Rocks Wirth's Ministry

Finance and Food Ruler Is Charged With Favoritism to Wine Growers Who Sold Him Liquor Cheap

By Wireless to The Tribune (Copyright, 1922, New York Tribune Inc.)

BERLIN, March 8.—Chancellor Wirth is threatened with another Cabinet crisis. To-day the chief organ of the Independent Socialists brought a charge of corruption against his Minister designate of the Finance Department. The accusation is that Dr. Hermes, who has been administering the department since last October and whose appointment was to have been announced in a few days, has received from Rhenish wine growers shipments of German champagne at the nominal price of three marks a bottle. It is asserted that these wine growers have received favorable treatment from him through a second office he holds—that of Minister of Food.

As Dr. Hermes has been taking a leading part in working out a new financial program and forming new plans for taxation party leaders insist that the charge against him will have a very embarrassing effect on the Ministry unless it can be disproved promptly. An interesting point is that Dr. Hermes is not one of the new democratic Ministers against whom vague charges have been constantly cropping up, but is a relic of the old regime, as he occupied a prominent place in the Ministry of Economics under the Kaiser. His sympathies are still believed to be conservative and he has been accused of favoring large landed interests.

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